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INK JET PRINT HEAD      )      November 14, 2003

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Sir:

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The Examiner's attention is directed to the following U.S. application:

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JP '119 is discussed at page 6 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein. US '729 corresponds to JP '119.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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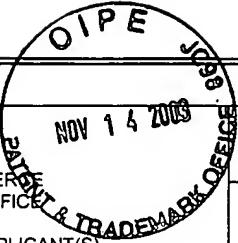
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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